

Carter's proposals on energy are well received in Europe, Middle East

ARIS, April 21 (R) -- Presient Carter's plan to cut back n oil and natural gas consum-tion was praised in Western apitals today for its potential enefits for the rest of the wo-

His proposals were also welmed by some Middle East noducers as vindication of their own policies to discour-se the squandering of oil

Although the long-term effg studied, a proposed cut in S oil imports was expected come up in early discuss-ns between OPEC countries. But while the programme ald affect some oil exporters, ficials also saw a possibility at the U.S. could become a w market for their natural

TECH (Congress may reject Carter's plan -- but OPEC wishes him **i(**]() Tiff success -- p. 4

> The most immediate effect President Carter's program-particularly for West Eue, was his proposed increase mannim enrichment capacity other countries. lerr Guido Brunner, the Euean Common Market commoner in charge of energy, 1 reporters in Brussels that expected the U.S. to resume iveries of enriched uranium the community within six

be U.S. had delayed ship-

"at of the nuclear fuel -- vifor Europe's advanced nucresearch reactors, -- while administration reviewed Its rgy policy in general and lear proliferation in parti-

ferr Brunner also said the

vernment said that if the U.S. were able to carry through the programme, "then the outlook for the rest of the world will be brighter." A statement from the British

Energy Department said : "The fact that the president of the world'a richest nation is taking conservation so seriously will enhance the importance of energy saving and development programmes in other countries."

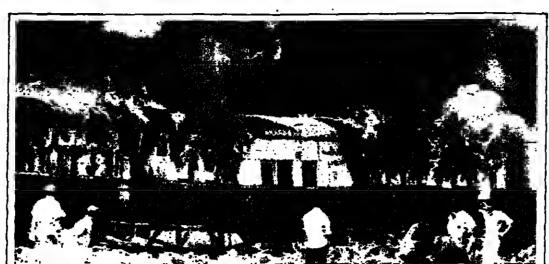
Car makers were cautious in assessing the effects on their sales of the proposed beavier petrol taxes. Some experts thought demand would rise for imported foreign cars using less petrol. But others believed U.S. carmakers would quickly adju-st their own models.

-- In Paris, the International Energy Agency, grouping the major non-communist industri-al countries, said the program-me was well balanced and an example for other oil-consuming nations.

"President Carter has recognised that oil is not going to be an energy source for ever and is trying to do something about it," a spokesman said. The French newspaper Le Monde said the size of U.S. oil imports has weighed heavily on the market and a reduction in American demand would mean reducing tensions on prices. In Vienna, the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countr-les (OPEC) was studying Pre-sident Carter's proposals be-

fore making any comment. But the programme was ex-pected to figure prominently in talks which Venezuelan President Andres Perez will have during his current two-week tour of five Middle East coun-

Most of Venezuela's oil exports go to the United States while Saudi Arabia also sells much of its production there. Officials in various capitals of the Gulf said any measure which put an end to wasteful use of oil in the U.S. was wel-They saw proposals raising the cost of domestically-pro-duced oil in the U.S. to that of oil imported from OPEC countries as justification of OP-EC's own price policies.



FIRE UNCHECKED -- Fire runs unchecked through carriages of local train in Karachi Wednesday after it was fired by strikers. Two strikers were killed when the train ran into them as they tried to halt all trains on the Landhi-Karachi section of the government's railroad system. (AP wirephoto).

Rival Palestinian factions reportedly clash in Lebanon

TYRE, Lebanon, April 21 (Ag-encies). — Rival Palestinian fa-ctions clashed for the second day in Lebanon today, cutting the coastal bighway between the ports of Tyre and Sidon.

Pro-Syrian and pro-Iraqi wings of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-Gesualties in today's fighting. Pro-Syrian and pro-Iraql commandos have fought seve-ral times this year. The worst clasb was in the market town neral Command (PFLP-GC) fought with heavy machineguns and anti-tank rockets for about 90 minutes, according to soldiers controlling traffic on of Nabatilyeb. At least three people were killed in another clash in Nathe road. batiyeh last week.

They said fighters from other commando groups intervened to stop the fighting.

Last night Syrian-sponsored Saiga commandos and the pro-

with France pledging to help safeguard the security of Fre-nch-speaking African states with which it has cooperation

Security was the dominant

topic during the two-day me-eting attended by French Pre-sident Valery Giscard d'Estaing

and beads of state or represen

tatives of 18 African countries.

France's last African posses

sion, the Red Sea territory of

the Afars and Issas (Djibouti)

agreements.

held up once more. In a separate . development from Kuwait, a team from the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Developr::ent (AFESD), led by President Saeb Jaroudi, Franco-African laft today for Beirut to study ald projects for the reconstru-ction of Lebanon. summit ends Fund sources said the team

1S minutes.

Iraql wing of the General rut and power supply system. still disrupted four months after the ceasefire which brou-Command clashed near a Palestinian camp in Beirut, but the fighting lasted only about ght the Lebanese civil war to a virtual standstill. There was no word on ca-

Dr. Jaroudi, a former Lebanese economy minister, and his team will later visit Washing ten for talks with the World Bank, the sources added.

In an another development, however, a well informed sou-rce said that certain Palestinian travelers have been barred from entering Lebanon recent-

The road between Tyre and This was done under regula-Sidon reopened in the after-noon but shooting broke out again at sunset and traffic was tions adopted last February by general security officials, the source said.

The regulations require Palestinlans living outside Leba-non, except those holding Jordanian passports, to have "se-rious" reasons for going to ebanuo.

They also must request per-mission for the trips from Lebanese embassles, the date they will leave Lebanon again must

West Bank protest marks Israel's 29th anniversary

TEL AVIV, April 21 (R) - De-monstrators staged protests at many places on the Israeli-oc-cupied West Bank and police made dozens of arrests today as Israel celebrated the 29th anniversary of its establishment.

Security sources said several dozen Arab youths were detained at Ramallah, Nablus and the Qalandia Palestinian refu-gee camp. Eyewitnesses said police used teargas to disperse the demonstrators in Nablus and Qalandia.

The demonstrators, mainly students who boycotted classes, set fire to tyres in the streets and stoned passing sol-diers and police, military sour-

In Bethlehem, student demonstrators shouted slogans against a government decision an-nounced yesterday to establish Jewish settlement at Mas'h ..., in the occupied West Bank just across the 1967 border opposi-te Petah Tikva near Tcl Aviv.

They also shouted slogans against Rabbi Meir Kahane, le-ader of the extremist Jewish Defence League, who tried to call on the mayor of Nablus earlier in the work earlier in the week.

School authorities later persuaded the pupils to return to their classrooms, teachers said. Despite a warning by the military commander of the reglon to stay away from Nablus, Rabbi Kahane today tried again to enter the town with an

Bhutto declares martial law in 3 major cities

ISLAMABAD, April 21 (Agen-cies). — Martial law has been declared in three of Pakistan's largest citles. Karachi, Lahore and Hyderabad, Rado Pakistan announced today.

This decision puts about eight million people under the control of a military administration.

Martial law bas only been invoked twice in the history of Pakistan. In 1958, it was im-posed for several years throushout the country when Mar. Ayub Khan seized power after a coup d'état. Several years

few this afternoon after renewed violence in which several people were injured.

Lahore, capital of Punjab government newspaper the Paprovince, was reported quiet today but the city has been the scene of vicious clashes in the

past two weeks. In Hyderabad, reliable sour-ces reported that retired Maj. Gen. A.A.K. Niazl, a leader of plant. the PNA, was arrested today. He was detained under emerg-

der documents at Dacca in the

fire on students who burned a government-owned bank. Meanwhile the semi-official

said.

kistan Times today accused the United States in veiled terms of having some responsibility for the current crisis because Pakistan wanted to buy a French nuclear fuel recycling

armed escort of his followers.

He was stopped by border policemen and forced to turn

back after arguing with them.

ing both Jews and Arabs were drowned and others were re-

ported missing when a amall excursion boat capsized off the ancient port of Acre. police

Israelis celebrating the anniversary filled synagogues and holidaymakers packed parks

and beaches while Arabs dem-

onstrated for an end to the

occupation. In West Jerusalem, Presid-

ent Ephraim Katzir received

the congratulations of the di-

plomatic corps at a reception

at his residence.

At least eight people, includ-

The question being asked by rolitical observers here was whether the present incidents' ency regulations for making objectionable speeches, they merely resulted from "a stance laken by the opposition on Gen. Niazi signed the surrentheir own or are there some forces who are secretly moti 1971 war between India and Pakistan which led to the se-cession of Bangladesh. vating them from behind the scene" the daily said. Accusations against the Uni-ted States have been heard for He was arrested at the bouseveral weeks in pro-governse of a retired army major, who was also detained. mental circles of the capital, At Sukkur, 320 km from Hybut were never expressed so clearly as in today's Pakistani derabad, at least 30 people were injured when police opened Times editorial.

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ket : - Britain's Labour go-

fahmi warns Soviet Union

RO, April 21 (R). — Fo-1 Minister Ismail Fahmi todescribed the Soviet Unmanoeuvring on Egypt's bers with Libya and the in as a stab in the back he Arabs. s remarks, published in the

dy magazine Al Mussauar y, appeared to refer to Somilitary supplies to Libya Ethiopia, observers said. r. Fahmi, in an interview such Soviet manoeuvring ased Egypt'a insistence on sting its own independen-id national security.

warn the Soviet Union of consequences of such ma-vres," he said without elaing. would be better for the

it Union to help Arab cou-, whose lands are occupi-ther than stabbing them e back and complicating nation further," he was as saying.

"If we refuse to increase our production to meet their (the consuming countries) demand we are accused of economic sabotage," one Kuwait official said today. "If we increase our prices, we

are described as an unwieldy

official said.

cartel holding the world to ra-nsom," he added. "We are glad the U.S. appears at long last to be moving seriously to support our eff-orts to reduce oil demand and keep prices high to encourage

which becomes independent in June, was represented by an observer. Khaddam arrives in Washington

the development of alteroatives WASHINGTON, April 21 (AFP) - Syrian Foreign Minister Ab-dul Halim Khaddam arrived here today for a two-day visit and talks with U.S. leaders. Mr. to oil as an energy source," the Oil officials were also studying Mr. Carter's proposal to raise the price of new domestic natural gas in interstate com-merce. They thought it might open the way to the export of Khaddam is to meet U.S. President Jimmy Carter and Sec-retary of State Cyrus Vance. They are to discuss a coming natural gas from the Gulf to meeting between Mr. Carter the U.S. market. Exports have and Syrlan President Assad in Geneva next month. been inhibited by U.S. gas pri-

ces being lower than those on the world market. Kuwaiti officials said they would be willing to sell gas to the U.S. from a new one billion dollar gas liquefaction plant if the situation changed.

DAKAR, April 21 (R). — 16 ourth Franco-African summit conference ended here today

would be looking into such vi-

Official in Beirut says U.S. anti-boycott bill will not alter Arab policy

BEIRUT, April 21 (R). - The new American bill on the Arab their own channels. If they es-tablish that the firms deal with boycott of Israel will not inf-Israel, they will warn them to stop the dealings within a luence the policy of the Arab states on the issue, a senior official of the Arab Boycott of specified period."

Israel Office said bere today. Mr. Nadim Al Hallak, head House bans U.S. firms of the Lebanese regional office was commenting in a statement on a bill approved by the U.S. from cooperating with House of Representatives yes-Arab boycott -- p. 4 terday severely limiting cooperation by American firms with

The bill would prohibit Ame-Mr. Hallak added : "If they rican companies from refusing to do business with Israeli fido not respond to the warning, they will be blacklisted. The rms or citizens because of the Arab states will continue this policy regardless of the new

Firms would also not be all-American law." owed to give information to Ar-Mr. Hallak said most foreign ab countries about the race or firms of various nationalities religion of their employees. were cooperation with the Arab Mr. Hallak said : 'The Arab boycott offices to safeguard, boycott offices gather informa-tion on foreign firms through their interests in the Arab sta-

narsna law was leciared in Lahore following religious riots.

> Karachi and Hyderabad had already been clamped under a round-the-clock curfew today in an effort to check continuing political violence.

Anti-government agitation be-gan six weeks ago after the nine-party opposition group, the Pakistan National Alliance (PNA), accused Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bbutto of rigging general elections to keep his own party in power.

About 200 people have died in the violence since then.

The imposition of martial law comes ahead of an opposition call for a nation-wide strike and demonstrations tomorrow to demand the resignation of Mr. Bhutto.

Observers said the demons-trations could be a flashpoint for further violence and bloodshed

Reliable sources said two people were shot dead by troops today for breaking the cur-few in Hyderabad and another was killed in Karachi.

The curfew was imposed in Karachi at dawn today after about 19 people died in clashes yesterday between opponents and supporters of Mr. Bhutto. Hyderabad, 160 kms north of Karachi, was placed under cur-

shore of Lake Tanganyika.

The broadcast said the pre-

Assad continues Soviet tour

MOSCOW, April 21 (AFP). — Syrian President Hafez Assad arrived in Tbilissi, the capital of Soviet Georgia today where, with his wife, he has continued a tour of the Soviet Union after three days of top-level talks in Moscow.

The capital, meanwhile, has been the centre of speculation on a remark by Communist Party Secretary General Leonid Brezhnev during a warm farewell cerenony for President Assad at Moscow airport yesterday.

In front of the Moscow Arab diplomatic corps who had come to see Mr. Assad off, and the Syrian delegation accompanying the president, Mr. Brezhnev in a loud voice asked the Libyan ambassador to convey all his best wishen to Libyan leader Moamer Qadhafi.

The incident has variously been interpreted by Arab diplomats here. Some view it merely as a passing remark of no special meaning while others consider it was a 'gesture of support" for Col. Qadhafi whose policies are n opposition to that of several Arab countries.

Mr. Assad himself is due to leave Georgia tomorrow or Saturday to return home to Damascus. After leaving Moscow yesterday Mr. Assad first visited Kiev, the capital of the Ukraine.



IGHTSEEING TOUR -- Syrian President Halez Assad (second from left) tours the city of Klev in the Soviet Union Wednesday.

arez reminds army not KINSHASA, April 21 (R). -President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire has accused the Soviet Union of stationing agents at to meddle in politics its embassy here and infiltrating government offices to spread subversion. President Mo-

RID, April 21 (R). - The sh government reminded inned forces today they I not meddle in politics the army publicly oppos-s lifting of a ban on the minist Party.

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army last week acceptdecision with disgust ie navy minister resigned : government's worst criace Gen. Franco died in

decree prohibits militaen from joining political s or indulging in politics is barracks or outside. ays down norms for imuting another royal de-

cree issued in February esta-blishing the military's neutral

role in politics. Publication of the decree fol-lowed efforts by the rightwing Popular Alliance, led by six former Franco ministers, to

woo military support for ge-neral elections on June 15. The Popular Alliance denounced the Communists' legalisa-

tion as a juridical farce and an anti-constitutional coup by Senor Suarez, Informed sources said there

office.

whereas with bullets there are

were still rumblings of discontent among conservative generals over the Communist issue. The 44-year-old prime minis-ter cancelled a trip this week-end to Barcelona where the re-

gional military commander is identified with the conservative wing in the army. No reason was given for his decision.

aiways survivors, and, in a sta-te of war, the Red Cross inter-venes," President Mobutu said. "After the poison arrows are used, we send in the commandos to pursue the aggressors. This system has put the enemy butu said that the Soviet Uniin disarray, he declared. on. Cuba and Zaire's neighbour,

the Arab boycott.

boycott.

Western diplomatic sources Angola, had backed an invasion said between 150 and 200 of of mineral-ricb Sbaba province the 2,000 pygmies from the nor--- formerly Katanga -- by ex-Katangese gendarme. The three countries have denied the charthem Ituri forest area, who were already due to join the Zaire army were involved in the fighting in Shaba.

President Mobutu made his The pygmies make their arrnew allegations in a speech deows from beaten bn cans and livered yesterday and published are dangerous warriors who spin official translation today. ecialise at fighting in forested He said that among the goveareas, the sources said. "They roment departments infiltrated are a terrifying sight," one soby the Russians was the post urce reported. President Mobutu, in an ap-

President Mobutu's attack on parent reference to pygmy warthe Soviet Union was one of riors who are said to be spethe most detailed he has made so far, and Western diplomats arheading an advance of goversaid it was the most vigorous since the invasion started. nment troops in Shaba provin-ce, said : We are using our compatriots who specialise in the use of poisoned arrows."

He described the Cubans as "agents of the Soviets" and said the Kremlin tried to place With these arrows we are agents in government offices to sure of destroying the enemy, steal documents.

Observers here believe the state of the fighting will only be revealed when and if gove-rament forces retake Mutshatsha - - an event which the government has promised to show

to journalists. The official Zaire news agency reported that one more

started six weeks ago. The first two, wounded and dazed, were presented al a press conference here yesterday and told reporters that Cuban soldiers had accompanied them into Zaire from Angola, but had since left the vast, sparsely-populated battle area

information from reliable sources that forces opposed to the Zaire government are moving across Tanzania to capture a

town in Zaire. The radio, quoted President Amin as saying the forces intended to capture Kalemi (formerly Albertville), on the Zaire

sident had given the informa-tion to the Zaire charge d'affaires in Uganda. The Ugandan leader was also quoted as saying the westward movement of the forces was

the real reason why Tanzania had tightened the closure of fighting - bringing to three the total capture since the conflict its border with Kenya. He said the capture of Kalemi would strengthen the forces now fighting Zaire govern-ment troops in Shaba province.

In Moscow, the Soviet Union today issued a fresb denial of Soviet, Cuban or Angolan involvement in the fighting in Zaire, and denounced Western assistance to the government of

1,500 kms. south of here. President Mobutu. In Nairobi, Radio Uganda re-The denial followed a press ported today that President Idi conference in Kinshasa yester-Amin of Uganda says he has

day during which rebel prisoners implicated the Soviet Union, Cuba and Angola in the conflict in Zaire's southern Shaba province.

The denial took the form of a statement by Moscow's semiofficial Afro-Asian Solidarity Committee released early today by the Tass news agency.

Mobutu accuses Soviet Union of infiltrating government offices to spread subversion

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The House submits

The U.S. House of Representatives has overwhelmingly passed its version of the legislation to counter the Arab Boycott of Israel in the United States. The Senate still has to pass its own version before the final bill is signed into law by President Carter, who will no doubt take the opportunity to engage in some solemn moralising about how this legislation demonstrates America's commitment to freedom, principles of morality and equal opportunity for all, if not hot lunches and afternoon naps for every schoolchild in the world.

What strikes us most about this legislation, and the entire effort in the United States to counter the Arab boycott, is the sheer weight of its hypocricy and the great confusion it has spurred in the minds of American legislators. The final result will probably make little difference to anyone in the end, because there are enough loopholes in the legislation to allow Arab-American business to go on pretty much undisturbed. But it still strikes us as unnecessarily humiliating and bad precedent for the American House of Representatives to totally miss the political point of the Arab boycott and treat it as "discrimination" on the basis of religion or "oational origin". It is intellectually wrong and morally irrelevant for American lawmakers to try and force the fine principles of their constitutional egalitarianism and equality of opportunity upon a political-military conflict in the Middle East that bas nothing to do with American law, tradition or commercial mores.

The reality that emerges slowly is that the Americans will have their anti-boycott legislation (note to American university sophomores looking for fresh research projects: Is this legislation the psycbological punching bag by which the Americans feel they are getting even with Arab and OPEC oil power?) but in such a manner that trade will go on about as usual, probably with only slight shifts in contracts and traditional supply arrangements. Congressmen will send letters to their constituents, President Carter will make some very heavy speeches about the triumph of American Ethics, and very little will change in the end, except for that one more little chip of self-respect and honesty that shall have beeo gouged out of the American Congress

Who's fault is it that West Indian immigrants face dismal future in U.K.?

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immigration" they are actually

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Thus in ao editorial in a lead-

ing newspaper, Mr. Enoch Pow-

ell's strident call for repatria-

These are serious omissions

Black West Indians who have

What is needed now is clear.

proach by the major political

forces in Britain to the prob-

lems of racism in the society.

Commected the Soviet Com-

Although the Soviet Union

In a parliamentary by-election in Britain the racist National Front Party polled more votes than the Liberal candidate. This disturbing news comes soon after publication of the report of the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration which says there is discrimination against West Indians in housing and choice of jobs open to them.

LONDON. (Gemini). - 1 was approached some time ago by an acquaintance who confessed that he had oever understood why young, black cricketers and some black athletes, who were born in Eng-land or had lived here for most of their lives, invariably preferred to represent the West Indies even when they qualify for England.

by Trevor McDooald

My friend felt that such an inclination on the part of the sportsmen who had acquired their techniques in Britain, was tantamount to a betrayal of their country of adoption.

The failure to perceive why many young black people of West Indian origin suffer an acute crises of ideotity in Brimy tain today is as sad as it is revealing. It is also a comment on the appalling ignorance gen-erally displayed about what is, arguably, the most serious, social problem facing the coun-

In distinctly lugubrious ton-es, the latest study by the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration details the dismal outlook for black West Indians in Britain. If there is any merit in stating the obvious, the report is timely.

It talks about the desperate social conditions in which the majority of the West Indiao population live. It says in terms of basic amenities, West Indian housing conditions are substantially worse than that of the rest of the population.

The Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration says that there is still widespread discrimination against West Indians in employment, not only in recruitment but in promotion. And the report mak-es the point, which has been stressed so many times in the past by community relations workers, that legislation against

of whether it finds anything reprehensible for example in the manner in which the press and television descended last year on an Asian family who had meant to be prescribing a for-mula for racial harmooy. It is en accommodated by a local authority in an hotel near Gatwick Airport. The fact, that for weeks after that incident, blacks entering Britain were subjected to banners with insulting racial slogans, did not seem to the committee to be worthy of any particular blame.

tion of immigrants is not coo-The media staunchly defends demned as cheap racist talk. the right to disseminate to the but is criticised for its impracwidest possible audience Mr. Enoch Powell's regular anti-immigrant speeches. Whatever ticability. In a similar vein the National Front is oot repudiated nationally for its obsceoe rhetoric, but is merely chided he says on the subject is deemed "newsworthy of the fullest for "playing on the fears of coverage". But the same me-dia quite deliberately and, in working class people." view, quite properly, refrains from giving the same treatin the report. To say bow ment to similarly inflammatory bad things are without trying statements by extreme Irisb na-tionalists who occasionally thto explain why, is disbonest. reaten to plant bombs in trodden this path before, will be excused if they view this London "tube" trains.

The media is still guilty of using the word "immigrant" to latest report with cynicism There have after all been six describe any black person, reports in the last nine years and in that time the plight of even if he were born in Britain aod has never lived in another West Indians bas become discountry. It does oot describe as "immigrants" people from tinctly worse. Poland, Australia or Rhodesia. There must be a determined ap-

What the report does not do ls to examine why things are as bad as they are. The com-

> to work for close Soviet-Indian ers still bear the Soviet Union by Chris Catlin

MOSCOW, April 21 (R). -The Soviet Union, anxious to munist daily Pravda: "These know how the Indian election links were constantly distinresult will affect its relations with New Delhi, is losing no. guished by stability and were not subjected to the ups and time in making its first explodowns of polltics or the inratory contact with the new fluence of transient factors." governmeot of Prime Minister Morarji Desai.

wants things to stay that way, Observers here detect a senit does oot seem to regard the se of urgency, lf not apprehen-sion, in the trip to India next prospect as a foregone conclu-

week by Soviet Foreign Minis-

be the first such guest from a

major power to be received by

Indian External Affairs Minis-

ter Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Mr.

Gromyko is due to arrive oo

The long-standing invitation

Racial discrimination must be mittee has not explained why ruthlessly condemned and not despite the passage through "explained away". parliament of several anti-dis-

crimination acts, racial discri-Extremist parties must not be allowed the lead in discusminetion is as entrenched as it sions about race. When that happens, other parties, like the Conservative Party did in the The report does not point out that this situation has arisen Stechford by-election, find themselves pushed into extrebecause the major political parties in Britain have always me positions as well. In Stechfelt that to take an unbending ford, the Conservative "stop stand against racial discriminaimmigration" posters were mtion might be electorally disdistinguishable from the openly advantageous. Thus when a political party is driven to the racialist banners of the Naabsurd position of suggesting tional Front.

> If this firm stand is not taken, as the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration fears, there could be a rise in Britain of black extremist groups, just as sinister and just as dangerous as the the rightwing anti-black parties which exist today because they were allowed to grow in a decade which was too soft in racism.

ted yesterday.

Soviets are eager to size up new Indian leaders

Earlier, lt was announced

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Mr. Gromyko may also seek

some form of assurance, prob-

commitment to Its friendship

The official press has prefer-

treaty with Moscow.

once gave their opponents. .

PRAGUE, April 21 (AFP). Official repression against the signatories of the "Charter 77" buman-rights manifesto was orchestrated so as not to sour relations between the Czechoslovak Communist Party and the parties in the West, reliable sources said here earlier this week.

The sources said that In-terior Minister Jaromir Obzina, in a recent report, had explained why the authorities had reacted as they did to the charter. Some party members, said the sources, had been surprised that tougher measures were not taken against the "char-

ter people". In his report, Mr. Obzina said that the charter had an esti-mated thousands of likely signatories. It had, therefore, been necessary to launch an intensive campaign to discourage potential signatories and prevent similar documents from being distributed.

But draconian measures were ruled out because of possible international reaction and concern not to alienate Western Communist Parties.

Czech officials were

rather clever handling

question of dissidents

Mr. Obzina said according to the sources, that the Czechoslovak security services knew since last September that the charter was being drafted, but were unable to get an overall picture until the document was

published They had therefore allowed the charter organisers to draft the document, for no other course of action was possible "now/or in the future" said Mr. Obzina.

Observers meanwhile said that now, a little more than three months after the charter's publication, the official policy of "modulated repression" had apparently borne fruit. This was indicated, they said, by the silence of the charter organisers and the muting of the press attacks against them.

Vorster will find he has to discuss Namibia again

that all delegates to the South By Roman Rollnick African-sponsored. constitutional conference on Namibia JOHANNESBURG, April 21 (South West Africa) had been (AFP). - Five Western nations and the United Nations Security Council are expected to send envoys to South Africa

summoned from the territory's capital, Windhoek, for a meeting with Mr. Vorster in Cape Town last Friday. for a meeting with Premier John Vorster in coming weeks It is expected the delegates to discuss Namibia, the ruling will discuss with Mr. Vorster Nationalist Party newspapers Beeld and The Citizen repor-

those with Washington.

economic ties.

bere commented.

their plans to establish an interim government in Namibia independence, and prior to independence, and that Mr. Vorster will report

Yet despite these political un-

certainties, the Soviet Union seems able to count on conti-

nued Indian interest in close

Commenting on the Namibian issue this week, South African Foreign Minis-ter Pik Botha said he hoped the United Nations and 'responsible nations in the world" would refrain from any action

chances of obtaining a peace-, ful transition to independence ably in the communique after economic ties. in the territory. in the territory.

ed on mutual benefit, and so long as this remains so, why weaken them?" One diplomat white and coloured (mixed blood), are discussing their constitutional future around a conference table and they are

world and responsible African.

leaders to have regard to

these basic facts ?"

Since taking office Mr. Desai has said the treaty would have to be changed if it ever came India is the Soviet Union's in the way of India's friendship third-largest trade partner in not fighting it out. Is it too, after Asia after Japan and Iraq. Last much to expect of the Western

back to them on a meeting state earlier this month he beld with a state the ambassadors of the same five Western countries -- the United States, France, Britain, province Canada and West Germany.

Diplomatic sources in Cape Town have said the first meand the Western ambassadors > 1.... 'held on April 7, was likely to give rise to a further meet-U.N. Security Council envoys would attend.

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which would jeopardise the

week. Mr. Botha said, "the leaders of the territory, black,

The price of this is not Arab compliance with American legal and ethical traditioo, but rather American congressional submissioo to the infinite narcissism of Zionism. George Washington and Thomas Jefferson are probably thankful they're not alive to see this taking place.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Thursday editorials. Al Ra'i commented on the lax working atmosphere pervading the government's administrative body in addition to the neglect and indifference of some of its employees. Al Dustour discussed His Majesty's interview with the French daily Le Monde in which he warned that the Middle East is heading for disaster unless serious negotiations set underway this year. As for Al Sha'b, it considered President Assad's visit to Moscow as an important step towards further peace efforts.

AL RA'I, said that in the government's administrative body there exists a kind of indifference by aome of the employees in performing their duties and a slackening off by others in shouldering their responsibilities. Production is not satisfactory in spite of the availability of the necessary human elements, the paper said.

This state is the result of past defects still prevailing, such as favoritism for some employees, unequal treatment of others in addition to lower wages compared to other sectors.

If we are to ask government employees to work conscientiously and perform their duties with efficiency on one hand, we should not cheat them of their rights on the other. If the government is capable of taking disciplinary measures against employees who have failed their duties, it can appoint the right person to the right position, the paper added. Thus the administrative body would be able to perform efficiently and help to transform Jordan into a society of production.

AL DUSTOUR, said that the existence of the Israeli armed fortress, adds to the difficult li-

Three Jordanian dailies took ving condition of Arabs under up different subjects in their . occupation and threatens to drag the region into catastrophy. Such a threat, the paper said, should be taken seriously and bring the two super powers to exercise an effective role to prevent it.

If the peace initiative is left in the hands of the laraelis it will progress very slowly, while it is imperative for some kind of progress to be achieved this year. Israel should realise that the idea of an alternative Palestinian homeland is a conspi racy against Jordanians and Palestinians alike. No Arab could accept such a proposal.

It should also be understood, the paper added, that Jordan has an important role to play in the peace efforts and that it has proved its effectiveness as a factor of stability and progress in the region. Only when these facts are taken into consideration can the peace process progress, the paper concluded.

Indians were disproportionate-AL SHA'B, ventures to say ly involved in many forms of that President Assad's visit to crime added that in view of their heavy conceptration Moscow has helped to warm areas of urban stress, which up Syrian-Soviet relations. The are themselves high crime cooling off in relations betwareas... the pattern was not een the two countries during the past two years have refsurprising." In other words, lected on Arab-Soviet relations there was no evidence to justify any firm cooclusions about and the Soviet stand on the Mithe relative involvement of ddle East in particular. It allowed the United States to take West Indians in crime. the initiative in peace efforts,

the paper added. The committee did not appear unduly surprised that ra-The Syrian visit now helps cial prejudice by some police to bring back the required balaofficers "seems to be establishnce needed for any internatied" but felt that of much onal peace effort, in particular greater significance is the growing bostility between the po-lice and sections of the West international efforts aimed at reconvening the Geneva Middle East peace conference, in which Indian community. Even the police admitted to the committee the Soviet Upion co-chairs with that this was the "flashpoint" the United States. Therefore it is not in our national interest area in community relations. to ignore the Soviet role. It is not wise to antagonise the So-Rather surprisingly the committee finds that it is unfair viet Union, the paper concluto assert that the press and tel-

in our effort to conciliate the United States. The best thing is to gain the friendship of both.

racial discrimination is not the answer in itself. ter Andrel Gromyko, who will

"The fact", says the report, "that much of this discrimination is covert, negligent or unintentional does not make it less harmful -- and it is aggravated by a growing lack of confidence among ethnic communities, especially the young."

jection "seemingly simply be-cause they are black." Echoing

the persisteot warnings by com-

munity relations workers over

the years the report adds that

there is a "risk of West Indian

communities becoming perma-

The committee quite correc-

tly devoted a great deal of its

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The committee was able to

find no conclusive evidence that

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ong black West Indians. Al-

though the police version is

that the crime rate is highest among black West Indians.

The committee found what they

called fundamental weakness-

es in the police data however,

and so both sides agreed to

"Indeed", adds the report,

"the Metropolitan (London)

Police in stating that West

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leaves unanswered the question

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was renewed by Mr. Vajpayee soon after he took office, but it was Mr. Gromyko's decision What is neither covert nor to take it up so promptly, only unintentional is the fact that a month after the elections. as the report states young West Indians seeking a job face re-The defeated Prime Minister,

April 25

Mrs. Indira Gandhi, had been more intensively cultivated by Moscow that almost any other Third World leader. The Kremlin applauded her unpopular emergency measures and gave her public backing before the poll.

Now it is her political opponents, once written off here as rightwingers, who are being sent cordial messages from Soviet leaders and encouraged sion, observers believe.

The traumatic experience of having Egypt tear up just such a friendship treaty last year has made the Soviet Union wary. Moscow kept aloof from the

U.S. election battle, but with India its task of adjusting to a new government is complicatthe treaty "does not threaten ed by the vocal support it once anyonė." gave to Mrs. Gandhi.

Less than a year ago Soviet red to concentrate attentioo on leaders laid on for Mrs. Gandhi Indian government statements that foreign policy will follow the same basic lines as before one of the most lavish welcomes they have ever accorded any leader. Yet in the few weeks since her defeat Moscow has diplomats. done its best to recover from

backing a loser. The victorious Janata (People's) Party, once referring to here as part of a rightwing Indian observer. bloc, has since been exempt from criticism.

But observers are sure ooe of the things Mr. Gromyko Indian foreign policy between relations with Moscow and will want to gauge is whether India's new government lead-

with other countries. year turnover totalled over Observers say Moscow could he uneasy about what exactly the Indiao premier had in mind, but the nearest thing to a respoose here has been the recent

647 million roubles (£505 mil-lion) with the balance in India's favour -- a surplus that goes towards paying for Soviet aid. assurance from Deputy Premier Veniamin Dymshits that

Mr. Gromyko, who will be in India from April 25 to 27, will be taking a team of foreign affairs experts with him mcluding Deputy Foreign Minis-ters Nikolai Firyubin and Anament on the latest diplomatic moves concerning the territotoly Kovalyov. ry. /

The foreign minister said that despite "formidable prob-lems" the Namibian territory had a record of good progress economically. He did not com-

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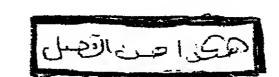
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Badran urges creation dissi of operations centre

AMMAN (JNA). -Premier Mudar Badran has called for the creation of an operations centre to help the country's farmers boost production in irrigated areas

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In a meeting with Ministry of Agriculture officials Thursday, he stressed the need to establish the necessary structures to develop this vital sector of the economy.

He stated that the incentive to farmers to produce is inherent, but they need guidance and instruction by officials of the ministry. He proposed that the Ministry of Agriculture set up an operations centre for all irrigated land in the country, through which guidance can be given to farmers to plant cert-ain types of vegetables with better results.

He called for aupport and gr-ester jurisdiction for the Agri-cultural Marketing Institution to enable it to study external and domestic markets in order to plan production and lay a basis for farmer-consumer cooperation_

Referring to projects now being implemented in the Jor-dan Valley, Mr. Badran said some huge projects are planined to increase production. Their aim is to expand cultivated areas and introduce prac-tical methods of sprinkler irrigation.

He stressed his awareness of problems encountered by far-mers with middlemen : "We intend to do away with exploitation, as free enterprise does

Sincerity and devotion shoald be the factors motivating The farmer, the premier said. There is no place for a lazy, apathetic or selfish man in our

S'heimat leaves for maritime co. meeting

an artillery division Thursday. MMAN (JNA). - Minister of Transport Ali S'heimat leaves * AMMAN. - Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim was decorated with the highest Spanish decoration by the or Damascus Saturday to take Spanish ambassador here Thursday. The decoration was bestowed upon Mr. Ibrahim-by King Juan Carlos during his recent visit art in the general assembly if the Joint Jordanian-Syrian Jaritime Company, which will liscuss the company's budget. to Jordan. * AMMAN. -- Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Kamal Hmud-received the Japanese ambassador to Jordan nd work out a plan for the ompany. . Mr. Siheimat is also expect-Thursday.

development process," he stressed, adding that agriculture officials should set an example "We believe in self-critic-ism," he continued. "Our counexploited.

enjoys extensive freedom in this respect, which means that any constructive criticism certain projects through the formation of cooperative socieconsidered as a way of pushing forward plans."

A meeting will be held next week to determina a working policy for the Farmers Union, which wil receive government support through supplies of fertilisets and insecticides and the construction of machinerepair workshops. Mr. Badran urged speedy ac-

Freight charge reduced 12[.]/. on Aqaba shipping

AMMAN (JNA). — European shipping companies have in-formed Agaba port authorities that they will reduce an addi-

tional freight charge on Aqaba-bound ships from 30 to 15 per cent from April 25. The step was taken as a re-sult of the recent installation of a new floating dock at the port, which bas led to faster

mloading. The same companies had previously reduced the additional charge from 50 to 30 per cent. The 50 per cent rate had originally been imposed because of congestion at the port, which meant that ships often had to wait three months before unloading.

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* AMMAN. - Civil Defence Director Maj.-Gen. Khaled Tarawneh

leaves here for Damascus Sunday on a sbort visit to discuss standardisation of civil defence regulations and laws in the two

* AMMAN. - Acting Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces Maj.-Gen. Mohammad Idriss inspected manoeuvres carried out by

tion to set up centres for the sorting and packing of vegetables so that farmers are not Minister of Agriculture Salah Jum'a also spoke stressing the importance of his ministry's role in continuing to supervise

ties in areas of agricultural reclamation. Mr. Jum's pointed out the importance of creating mutual trust between farmers and agricultural counsellors at the ministry. He said agricultural guidance is still unable to reach the heat of the problem, nam-ely winning the farmers' confi-

The Jordan Valley will in the future be an integrated unit in agricultural production, related industries, and the introduction of new agricultural methods, he stressed, adding that Jordan is the top country in the reg-ion for scientific research, particularly into wheat and barley production.

He suggested that journalists should visit agricultural projects to learn about development in this sector.

The premier was told about a number of the ministry's projects including a cow dairy farm, whose daily milk output will be raised to 3-4 tonnes. Mr. Badran was also told about projects being implemented in cooperatioin with the National Planning Council at a cost of JD3 million. These projects embrace afforestation, wheat crops, the development of dry-land farming, the produ-ction of forest saplings and soil survey and classificatioo.

NOTES



ter of Tourism Dr. Ghassan Shalhoub and his Jordanian counterpart. Ghaleb Barakat private sectors would particip-ate and another for tourist trawho briefed him on the work neportation and promotion. of the Joint Tourist Committee The Syrian tourist minister and cooperatin between the two ministries in the field of planning and administration. told reporters it was agreed to issue a detailed tourist map of Jordan, Syria and Lebanon -assuming that the three coun-

Arab cause boosted at parliamentary

conference

AMMAN (JNA). - The Arab cause got a favourable reception at an Internation Parliamentary Union meet beld in Canberra April 11-16, according to Jordan's delegation, which returned bere Thursday.

Delegation sources stated that resolutions passed by the union were favourable to the Arab cause.

The union decided to discuss the problem of human rights in the occupied Arab territories at its next general council meeting to open in Sofia on Sept. 28.

The parliameotary delegation, comprising Upper House

urges Israeli pullout AMMAN (J.T.). - Greek Cypriot Foreign Minister J. Chrising peace. tophides has called for a full

Israeli withdrawal from occupied Arab territories and the restoration of the rights of the Palestinian people.

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Mr. Christophides was opening the 41st conference of the Middle East region of the Ro-tary International in Limassol last week.

Addressing bimself in parti-cular to Arab partleipants, in-cluding 25 Jordanians, he sta-ted: "We, who live in Cyprus, and those of you who have come from neighbouring Arah countries, bear witness to and suffer under the weight of the grave injustices perpetrated in our respective countries. These injustices are the cause of a serious threat to peace in the area and without their remo-

Syrian education minister leaves

AMMAN (JNA). - The Syrian Minister of Higher Education Dr. Mohammed Ali Hashem, left here Thursday after a sixday visit

During his stay, Dr. Hasbem was received by Prince Hassan and Prime Minister Mudar Badran. He also took part in the Union of Arab Universities meeting, which ended bere Wednesday, and held talks with Jordanian Minister of Education Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali on coordination and integration in the field of educa-

from occupied lands val one cannot hope for a last-"In the Middle East there can be no radical and final so-

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lution unless Israel withdraws from all Arab territories occupied since 1967 and unless the inalienable rights of the Palestiniao people, including the right to return to their homes in safety, are fully restored -in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the United Na-tions. It is only thus that a just and, therefore, durable pence in the region can be achieved.'

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He stressed the similarities betweeo the Cypriot and Pales-tinian problems, mentioning human displacement, military occupation and violation of hu-man rights.

> **JAPANESE TEAM** HERE TO DISCUSS **JD8m LOAN FOR** JORDAN VALLEY

AMMAN (JNA). - Discussions arc taking place here between a team from the National Planning Council and the Jordan Valley Commission and a delegation from a Japanese foreign aid fund on an JDS million loan to finance the building of the Wadi Al Arab dam and a sprinkler network in the Ba-goura area of the northern Ghor.

The Japanese delegation, headed by a top official of the fund, will visit the Jordan Valley to look ove. agricultural and irrigation projects.

The Japanese team arrived in Amman Monday.

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dar, posters, pamphlets and guidebook in several languages. A film will be made high-lighting tourist and archaeological landmarks in the two countries, Dr. Shalhoub added. A specialised committee will be formed to classify hotels, restaurants, motels, chalets and parks, he continued.

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Prince Hassan and Princess Sarvath stroll around the second children's book exhibition which they

opened at King Husseln Club Friday afternoon. Organised by the Friends of Children Theatre in

Dr. Shalhoub also met Spe ker of the Upper House Bahjat Talhouni. Mr. Barakat and the United Arab Emirates charge d'affaires bere attended the meeting.

IRBID - JARASH ROAD REOPENS AMMAN (JNA). - Public security sources Thursday announced that the Thograt-

Asfour part of the Irbid-Jarash road is now open. It was closed to traffic while

EMIR ARRIVES ON SHORT VISIT AMMAN (JNA). — Emir Ra-sbed Ibn Issa Al Khalifeh, a son of the emir of Bahrain, ar-

SON OF BAHRAINI

rived here Thursday on a short private visit. He was received at the airport by Sharif Nasser Ibn Jamil, the Bahraini, North Yemeni, and Kuwaiti ambassadors and the Saudi and United Arah Emirates charges d'affaires he-

tries form one touristic entity - and publisb a joint calen-Exchange Rates

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* AMMAN. - An exhibition of paintings by Jordanian artist Ahmad Na'wash opened in the French city of Lyons Thursday. It was sponsored by the Arab-French Friendship Society.

members Dr. Amin Amr and Fouad Qaqish. gave a report on the meeting to Speaker of the Upper House Bahjat Talhouni.

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NEWS BUSINESS ECONOMIC AND

Carter presents energy-saving plan; but congressional rejection likely

WASHINGTON, April 21 (R). --- Mr. Carter presented a contioversial energy-saving plan to Americans last night, saying: "I don't expect much ap-plause."

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The initial reaction suggested that a central part of his programme - higher petrol taxes - would be resoundingly re-jected by Congress. Mr. Carter did indeed re-

ceive only sporadic applause from a joint session of Congress as he detailed his policies to make America pay much more for their share of the world's dwindling natural energy resources.

Senator Henry Jackson, who heads the Senate Energy Committee, predicted flatly that Congress would not vote for Mr. Carter's plan to raise petrol taxes by five cents every year for ten years if consumption exceeded target figures.

The present tax is four cents a gallon, giving a price of 60 to 65 cents, and Americans now use 294 million gallons a day -- an average of nearly 1.5

gallons a bead a day. Mr. Carter, who is facing the biggest test yet of bis popula-rity, commented: "Transporta-tion consumes 26 per cent of our energy and as much as half of that is waste." Other proposals which would

hit consumers hard included a special tax on the large, petrolhungry cars driven by most Americans and a well-head tax on domestically-produced oil and natural gas to raise fuel prices for industry and home-heating or air conditioning. Mr. Carter described his

plans as "a carefully-balanced programme, depending for its fairness on all its major component parts." He urged Congress to weigh each section of

But it was already clear that the programme would re-

mands for concession from the West.

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Mr. Ceyrac, who paid trib-

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lation, also called for free trade, but qualified this by stressing that there must be

a "satisfactory" opportunity for all to compete on an equal

footing. He said he felt it would be good to "reorganise world

WASHINGTON, April 21 (R). -The House of Representatives ceive some major reshaping.

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has voted to han the export of oil from Alaska's North Slope for two years pending plans tc distribute it in the United

The action came by voice vote on an amendment to an export administration bill on which the bouse acted. The amendment is not in the version of the export administration measure pending in the

EEC rejects export sugar agreement

GENEVA, April 21 (R). - The European Economic Communi-ty today rejected an export quota system as the basis for a new international sugar agreement, advocating instead an International stocking policy. EEC delegate Pierre Malve

told a 72-nation negotiating conference here the export quotas system, under which producer countries are allocated sha-res of estimated free market consumption, gave exporters a talse feeling of security and were in fact disadvantageous and difficult to operate.

trade by laying down new st-The nine-nation community ructures and by establishing infernati new codes of conduct involvnal sugar stockpiles closely lling a minimum of automaticity nked to a pricing system as a and which in some cases and foundation for a new sugar some sectors could even inpact, M. Malve said. volve a permanent organisa-

and it was likely to be months vent energy producers from before Congress approves any getting windfall profits. legislative outlines on it.

The speaker of the House of Representatives, Congressman Thomas (Tip) O'Neill, said the president would have a major battle to get the petrol tax proposal through Congress. Some compromise was inevita-Sections of Mr. Carter's 49minute address did rewasted.

ceive some applause. They included his demands for increas-ed use of coal and greater use of nuclear energy as an essen-He was also applauded when he called for "realistic" energy prices and for policies to prethan now anticipated.

U.S. Congress bans export of Alaska oil for 2 years

Republican Congressman St-ewart McKinney of Connecti-cut, the amendment's sponsor, said under present law any or all Alaskan oll in excess of the needs of the U.S. West Coast could be exported.

He said this could mean an estimated 400,000 barrels a day going to Japan rather than being distributed domestically. At present, there is no pipeline system to transport the North Slope oil to the midwest or eastern United States.

quota as basis for

conference by the International Sugar Organisation (ISO) envisages a new accord based on a system of export quotas to stabilise the price of sugar by regulating the level of supplies coming on the free market. It also contains provisions for setting minimum and maximum

prices and minimum stocks to prices and minimum stocks to be beld by exporters. Most leading exporters and Importers -- including Brazil, Cuba, Australia, United States and Japan -- who have addressed the six-weeks conference since it opened last Monday

bave endorsed an export quotas system as the basis for the new pact.

The House approves bill banning U.S. firms from cooperating with Arab boycott

New

rongly supported by the Carter administration which declared WASHINGTON, April 21 (R). - The House of Representa-tives has overwhelmingly approved a bill banning U.S. firms from cooperating with the Arab trade boycott of

The bill would probibit com-panies from refusing to do bu-siness with Israeli firms or citizens because of the boycott. Firms would also not be al-lowed to give information to Arab countries about the race or religion of their employees. The only exemptions would apply to foreign subsidiaries of U.S. companies which would have to abide hy the laws of the countries in which they

operate even if it meant complying with the Arah boycott. The hill, passed hy 364 to 43 votes yesterday, was st-

Cuba proposes 15c lb. floor price on sugar

the low end of wide fluctuations

in recent years which raised the price to an average of ne-

arly 30 cents a pound in aboom period in 1974.

Senor Fernandez Front said

the new sugar agreement

should provide for adjustments

in the price range to compen-

significant fluctuations in the sexchanges for producer states

should be set only for the first

two years of the five-year pact, and reviewed at the beginning

of the third year according to

13 to 15 cents a pound. The maximum price should

be "something in excess" of this, he said, that Austalia, a

In an interview last Monday Australian Deputy Prime Minis- ***** ter Doug Anthony, heading his country's delegation here, said Australia estimated the new agreement should have a mid-dle sector price range of about '

market requirements.

of manufactured goods and any w

posed setting a price range of between 15 to 25 United States cents a pound for sugar in a new international agreement being negotiated bere to regu-late world free market trade.

It was the first formal proposal to be advanced publicly at a six-week United Nations It to be a matter of principle. Before becoming law, it will have to be reconciled with a conference which opened here last Monday attended by 72 version of the same measure states, including all leading subeing worked out in the Senagar producers and consumers. One of the bill's backers ew York Congressman

The Cuban suggestion, ad-vanced by Foreign Trade Minis-ter Marcelo Fernandez Font, was in line with a decision last Jonathan Bingham, said: "We have a bill that states the principle that American busimonth by the 22 member-nations of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Sugar

nesses are not going to be pushed around and told with whom they can trade and not trade." Exporting Countries (GEPLA-CEA). A few congressmen argued sgainst the measure on the grounds that it would cost the At a session in Havana they agreed to seek a floor proce of 15 cents a pound and a ceiling 50 per cent to 100 per cent higher, or 22.5 cents to 30 cents jobs of thousands of U.S. workers by damaging American commercial interests in Arab countries. damaging a pound.

leading exporter, would not like to see a minimum price much The present free market price is about 10 cents a pound, at under 10 cents a pound.

Subterranean water resources are drying up due to massive irrigation systems

World demand for increased water supplies for domestic, agricultural and industrial uses as populations increase is caus ng serious strains on this vital resource. The recent U.N. water conference in Argentina stressed the urgent need for con-servation. In the United States a huge underground lake be-neath a large tract of America's "bread basket" land is being depleted by massive irrigation systems.

NEW YORK, (Gemini) -The water is running out in the Texes High Plains. For over 25 years, massive irrigation techniques have enabled this part of northwestern Texas to produce around 20 per cent of the United States' cotton and sorghum and considerable numbers of cattle.

Irrigation water continues to flow in most areas and millions of acres will be planted sucessfully this season. But for a growing number of farmers, the end has already come.

The source of the agricultural replenishment rate is about one-half inch per year. If one well pumps 500 gallons of water a minute, it withdraws boom in this normally semi-arid region of the U.S. is the Ogallala Reservoir, which is really an under ground lake covering about 9000 square mil-es. It irrigates parts of Color-ado, Kansas and Nebraska as well as Texas.

There are, however, many co-rporate farms in the area that The lake itself is wedge-shap-ed, thinner in the south than in withdraw 1.000 gallons a minthe north and the water in it ute from under each quarter section of land. At that rate

depleted within the next 25 years. Although most farmers, cor-

porate or private, whose liveli-hood depends on the Ogailala Reservoir or on similar ground water reserves are unwilling to admit that the days of massive irrigation are numbered, the trend is nonetheless clear. wells in the Texas High Plains' Fields in semi-arid regions region withdrawing bundreds such as the Texas High Plains and even one thousand gallons

or southeastern Colorado can produce consistently large crops only with regular supplies of irrigation water. The exhaustion of underground, sources will make these areas once . again

but in coastal areas, the possi bility of salt water infiltrating the underground reserves grows as the water table level declin-

Like the Libyans, the Egyptians are expanding the amount of land they have under cultivation. Increased agricultural ; yield is particularly important for Egypt where the population has climbed from 3 million in the early 19th century to 27 million in the early 1960s and then to 37 million in 1975.

Although the amount of land under cultivation has increased at the same time, the popu-



French, German industry federations urge West avoid protectionism to considerably hardened its de-

growth.

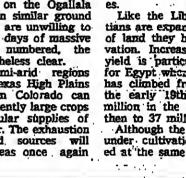
HANNOVER, April 21 (AFP). - The presidents of the French and West German industry federations. Francois and Hartin Hans Ссутас Schleyer, both urged industrial countries to avert a return to protectionism

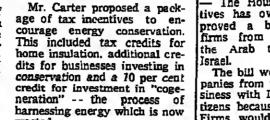
national trade is a matter of survival," Mr. Schleyer affir-med, adding that West German industry welcomed the attempt Speaking al the opening of the Hannover Trade Fair - - the by seven leading economic higgest annual fair in West Germany -- Mr. Ceyrac war-ned that the adoption of pro-tectionist measures by Western governments could "provoke chain reactions and the dispowers to draw up a common economic policy at their London summit in just over two weeks. leader also stressed that infla-tion had to be "fought world-wide" because economic staruplion of the large European and Western economic entitbility was a pre-condition for

Mr. Schleyer said: 'Trying to meet the change in the world economy with protectionist measures would be the worst of all solutions."

He strongly urged the in-oustrialised countries to take up the challenge from the Third World which, he said,

OPEC wishes





Although Mr. Carter did not mention it in his speech, officials said petrol-rationing plans were being worked out for use if oil imports were cut off or oil supplies shrank faster

larter success energy plan

VIENNA, April 21, (R). --OPEC wished President Carter success today in carrying out the new U.S. encrgy-saving pro-gramme, but withheld detailed comment on his proposals to Congress.

A spokesman for the 13-nation oil-exporting organisation said the Vienna headquarters would have no detailed comment until a full text of President Carler's statement last night had been studied.

OPEC officials welcomed President Carter's original plans, in a lelevision speech on Monday, but questioned his chances of setting the proposals through Congress.

"His conservation plans are welcome. We wish him sucess," spokesman Hamid Zaheri said today.

over sideways, as silver did in 1969, it can take a long time to rediscover its confidence and bounce.

tion of markets."

London, silver is now back on its feet again, and in very bealthy shape. In the main,

WALL STREET REPORT

Prices declined sharply Thursday on the New York stock exchange where the industrial average lost nearly seven points in moderate trading

Analysts attributed the drop to investor's concern about the economic consequences of President Carter's energy conservation programme

The decline was broad in spite of good news on the inflation front (detail prices progressed 0.6 per cent in March instead of one per cent in February) and an important surge on orders of durable goods in March.

Declines outnumbered advances at the close by a wide 890 to 549 marcin.

IBM lost 5 7/g at 264, Eastman Kodak lost three points at 63 3/8. Automobiles and oil shares were mixed.

At the close, the industrial average shows at 935.80, a loss of 6.79 points: Transp at 237.58, a loss of 2.78; utilities at 108.16, a loss of 0.16. 22.740,000 shares changed hands, of which 3,950,000 during the last hour.

LONDON MARKET REPORT

The markel was higher Thursday in light trading, dealers said. At 15:00 the F.T. index was up 5.6 at 418.1. Market sentiment was aided by news that the Scottish Tmde Union Congress had rejected a militant miners' resolution calling for an end to pay rc. "aint.

B.F. This prominent among equities adding around 36p in response ic President Carter's Alaskan oil price proposal. Sbell gained 11p and other oils and oil interest stocks rose. Industrials firmed by up to 10p.

Government bonds added to yesterday's advances by up to 1/2 point. Gold shares fell again with the bullion price. American Canadian issues were mostly higher. and

Glaxo ended 10p up while gains of 4p to 5p were seen in Hawker. GEC, Fisons, Beecham and 1Cl. Unilever gave back a 6p gain.

Dunlop was 2p up after results which were much in line with expectations. Hepworth Ceramics was about 4p up after increased dividend forecast and rights issue proposal.

Price of gold closed in London Thursday at \$148.10 / oz.

The agreement is to replace an existing purely administrative arrangement with no economic provisions which runs A draft text prepared for the out at the end of this year.

took millions of years to ac-cumulate. It has been estimated that one-tenth of an inch of water seeps back into the reservoir in Texas each year. But with the more than 70,000

This is a pattern that is con-

tinuing. Having sold more than 100,000 lots of silver worth

nearly £16 million over the

past 11 years, Sotheby's is the biggest seller of silver and

plate at auction in the world,

and is therefore able to pin-

point some of the areas that

have recovered most dramati-

According to Sotheby's there

has been an impressive inc-

rease in interest and prices

over the past 15 months for

silver and plate made in the

one-half inch disappears in less

weeks.

than two days. Not surprisingly, the Colorado State University research team estimates that the Ogallala reserves will be

good bargains.

the full retail price.

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£300 per 60-piece set.

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of water a minute, the water

table drops, on average, bet-ween 2 and 7 feet each year.

to deplete the reserves in Ne-

braska than in Texas, the en-

tire reservoir will nonetheless

be used up in the not so dis-

tant future if current withdraw-

lorado. Research done at Colo-

rado State University indicates

that, in this area, the reservoir's

about one-balf inch from under

one section of land within two

The situation is similar in Co-

al rates are maintained.

So, while it will take longer

dependent upon rainfall. "Good" years will be interspersed with "bad" and "average" years. Overall output will inevitably decline.

Even worse, in the years when rainfall is low, considerable erosion can be expected to occur. As the soll and the vices can include some very plant cover dry out, the land is left open to the ravages of the wind. The erosion dangers It is an interesting fact that completely new silverware is are particularly great on land under any crop, such as 'cotoften more expensive than anton or sorghum, that must be tique, mainly because you canclean-tilled; that is, grown on weed free soil with rows far not huy it from the manufacturer and must therefore pay apart.

The closest approach you can make to the wbolesale lev-As more and more soil is blown away under these condi-tions, the yields from even the el, therefore, is to buy at auc-"good" years must decline. For a warld increasingly dependent upon food supplies grown m tion. Although Sotheby's and Christie's in London levy a 10 per cent, huyer's charge on the knock-down price of all these areas, this cannot make objects bought in their salethe future any brighter. In fact, farmers, businessmen and poli-ticians from the High Plains room, that is obviously a lot better than the mark-up of perhaps 30 per cent -- plus that most dealers and retailers area have begun to lobby for a diversion of water from the Mississippi River to Texan fields on precisely these grounds.

Buyers intent on forming their own silver dinner servi-Such projects could not, however, be constructed much less ces with a few purchases at begin functioning until the end time are advised to stickof this century at the earliest. tn a reasonably commonplace And they may well prove too expensive in financial, ecologipattern and to determine, heforehand, the sort of prices cal and energy terms ever to they are prepared to pay for be implemented.

Thus, the view of North America, the United States in par-The basic valuation of silticular, as the breadbasket of ver is by weight, and the avethe world may well be unfoundrage weight of a 60-piece sered. Fortunately, Third World countries have become increasvice is geoerally around 100 ingly concerned with the prod-As silver for melting is at present priced at a little over uctivity of their own agricultural sectora.

£2 an ounce, it follows that a International aid and researrealistic minimum price buych institutes are thinking of ers can bope to pay in formways to increase the output of ing a service is around £2.50food throughout the world. Unfortunately, many of the pro-jects proposed by agencies, re-£3.00 per ounce, or £250 to searchers and governments rely Odd lots of late 18th centuon much the same intensive use ry silver at auction fetch arof water that is drying up the ound £10 an ounce while odd Ogallala Reservoir. lots of Victorian silver gene-

Libya, for example, is seekrally fetch around £4.50 an ing agricultural self-sufficiency. In order to reach this goal, it ounce, or perhaps £450 per has greatly expanded irrigated farming. In the process, it has Attractive, well-matched sil-verware will add a touch of drawn heavily on subterranean water resources. As a result, elegance to any inner table. in some Libvan coastal regions, It is also, on current trends, the water table is falling at a. a very good investment. But it should always be insured. Burglars are aware that there tapped are renewable. is a vast amount of silverware about, which is why they in-

The danger here is twofold. The danger here is twofold. Not only is a precious resource being consumed with apparent. - and unproductive and ly little thought for the future,

lation has grown far faster. Furthermore, not all land under cultivation produces food crops for domestic consumption. Export crops such as cotton, rice, onions and potatoes provide much needed foreign exchange earnings.

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But there are fears that the 6 million acres of land current-ly cultivated will fall to about million acres over the next 25. years. The growth of cities ... and the degradation of agricultural lands will account for most of this decline. Between 1953 and 1975, some 900,000 acres of land were reclaimed for agricultural purposes. To method imed land (160,000 acres) has reverted to wasteland. The cost In CLEF of reclaiming them yet again How

will not be inconsiderable, some 50 million Egyptian pounds. The reasons for the recla-

mation failures vary, but in the "New Valley", some 25,000 acsubterranean water sources dried up. Water experts had either mismeasured or forgotten to measure the extent of the upderground resources they were basing this particular reclamation project on.

S lere Countries with limited finf nice beney ancial resources should, there-fore, be extremely cautious S West S pr when planning to exploit suba wingta terranean water resources. Even very wealthy ones whose wealth is based largely on other 2 Car berrift non-renewable resources.

Following the droughts in-Ethiopia, Somalia and the Sa-hel zone of West Africa, at least one U.N. official was het Hinniar ard to claim: "All you need is " Rate Lie water and fertiliser to make the desert bloom." Of course the desert will bloom... as long as the water holds out. But we have seen that in parts of the semi-arid United States, it held out only 30 years. Further-more, one must think of what will happen to the growing population dependent upon this blooming desert when the water runs out

The United Nations Water Conference, recently held at Mar del Plata, Argentina, served as a reminder that fresh 4 water reserves are becoming an the water table is falling at a increasingly scarce resource. rate of 9-10 feet a year Every country, industrialised even though the reserves being ones included, must reassess its water use policies if future land.

Silver revival makes the metal well worth stealing

ers went out of business. A

number of investment buyers caught a very bad cold. And most silver shops in London found their sbelves overflow-

ing with unwanted silverware.

Richard Came, director of sli-ver sales at Sotheby Parke

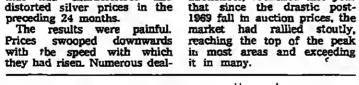
Bernet, the world's biggest art auctioneer, reckoned last year

But things have changed.

Silver is enjoying a big revival. Not only are prices surging up for silver and plate made in the past 100 years but also, one can use it daily. Small wonder that burglars make straight for the dining-room at the start of a break-in.

LONDON (F.T.) --- When a the great silver slump of 1969 sector of the art market keels was a logical reaction to the frenzied investment buying that had characterised and distorted silver prices in the preceding 24 months.

But according to experts in



ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

* HONG KONG, April 21 (AFP). --- China is now storing some of its oil in a newly-developed stone-cave oil tank underground. The official Chinese News agency reported that the first stonecave tank was already in use. Oil and oil products can be stored in a cave dug into solid rock below the stable water and free from permeation. Listing the advantages of this innovation over steel plate tanks above ground, the news agency said the stonecave tank "saves steel and land space, loses less oil products and makes protection work easier". 'It will be better sheltered in war", the article added. Compared with cave tanks lined with steel plates, the new tank requires 30 per cent less earth and stone work and cuts the investment by half.

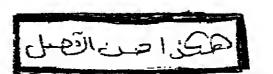
* ADEN, April 21 (AFP). - An agreement on trade and economic and technical cooperation hetween the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and Vietnam was concluded bere last evening. The aim of the agreement is to consolidate trade and economic relations between the two countries. Joint committees were formed to see that the pact was carried out.

CANBERRA, April 21 (AFP). - Sheikh Ahmad Mohammed Al Massoud, with a 14-man delegation from Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates (UAE), has reached agreement in Australia to buy 4,000,000 dollars' worth of food, agricultural equipment and prefabricated housing.

* TEHRAN, April 21 (AFP). - Iranian Central Bank Governor Hassan Ali Mehrad denied yesterday rumours that the Iranian rial might be devalued. He said the rial's position would justify a revaluation rather than a devaluation. But there was no question of upgrading the currency, because of the need to maintain the competitivity of Iranian exports.

* MANTLA, April 21 (R). - Petrol prices went up hy about 20 per cent today in the Philippines under a government measure auned at curbing consumption and raising cash for development projects. The immediate increases were approved by the Philippine Oil industry Commission, and included government specific and special fund tax increases.

VIENNA, April 21 (R). - Tunisian Transport Minister Abdel Hamid Sassi discussed expert help for his country's failway and postal services with senior, Austrian government officials. Government sources said the minister, on an official visit to Austria, outlined Tunisia's plans for a five-year investment programme to improve communications and transport links.



past 100 years, especially novelty silver which was particularly popular during the last quarter of the 19th century. At Christie's, the silver department confirms the general trend, and points specifically to a marked upsurge in prices for 19th century Victorian sil-

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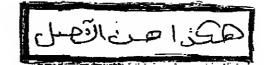
ver such as large tea services, centrepieces and candelabra ... the more ornate the better.

This sort of silver was radically underpriced in the 1960s, so that large Victorian tea services that fetched £300 or less ten years ago now sell a: £800-£1,250.

At the top end of the silver market, prices become very fancy indeed. At Christie's last year, a pair of Louis XV soup tureens and stands (the stands were 181 inches in diameter) made by Thomas Germain in Paris in 1744-50, fetched £400,000 in the firm's Geneva saleroom.

More modestly, but still beyond the reach of most people's pockets, a 30-piece Regency dinner service by Philip Rundell fetched £31,000 and a set of four George III twolight candelabra, dating from 1792, were knocked down at £16,000.

But there is no reason for the small investor to feel intimidated by these prices. One of the main advantages of antique sliver, particularly table-ware, is that like antique furniture it can be put to daily use, and although prices for a 60-piece service can range from around £300 to £16,000plus, prices for incomplete ser-



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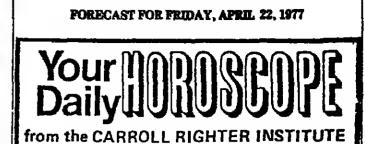
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oosex, $o_{\eta_{j^*}}$ **GOREN BRIDGE** HARLES H. GOREN If the auction seems D OMAR SHARIF strange, it is because Northart by Chicago Tribune South were employing transfer bids over no trump openulnerable. North ing bids. Thus, Eisaoberg'a NORTH **♦ K J 8**5 two diamond bid actually 3.04 showad hearts. The rest of 6 K J 42 tha auction was natural, and AQ7 Billy's final push to six clubs EAST was because his team was in **♦ A 73** ♡K92 642 arrears at tha time. **0 A Q 987** 53 East-West wera employ-484 OUTH ing third- and fifth-best openiog leads, and West 7A108653 chose to attack with the five of diamonds. The oormal > Void **K** 19653 lding: play would seem to be that South West jack, but Eiseoberg nnhesi-East Pass 2 Pass tatingly called for the dence. 3 🗭 Pass Pass He reasoned that. even if Pass 4 🕈 Pass West had led away from tha 6 🕈 Pass Pasa Pase glead: Fiva of \diamondsuit . queen, East would have to exhibit great fortitude to iosert the teo from A-10. Also, the past few years, way" Billy Eiseoberg perged as one of the there was the possibility great players. His that East held both the ace ance in tha last two and queeo. champiooships has East could not read the marly flawless, and the positioo aod played the diain in last year's Berowl was in large part mond queen. Declarer ruffahle to his steady ed, entered dummy with a In recognition of trump and lad the king of as fice as their hest i, the Dutch liquor ols invited Billy to diamonds. East coverad and rt in the Third Bols declarer ruffed. With the Fins Competitioo. jack of diamoods estabverg writes that most rs realize the advantlished as a discard for de-S playing low from clarer's spade, Eiseoberg when the queen is lost only a heart trick and ingh ao unsupported le goes oo to statethe slam rolled home. Note ere are other comthat had declarer played a .s where declarer n a trick by employsame tactic. To illusdiamood honor from dummy s point, he gives this at the first trick, he would m the recent Team have been defeated. which determined America's repré-e in the 1977 Berwl competition.



THE TURNBERRY HOTEL from the 6th tee of the Ailsa Course : The British Open takes place at Turnberry in Silver Jubilee Year.





GENERAL TENDENCIES: You are influenced greatly by the heavy planetary positions which are in affect right now. Make sure you look to some optimistic outlets which could lead to success in spite of various delaye and unusual conditions which are also now in operation.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Forget tedious tasks for a while and get into activities that give you true pleasure. Avoid those who would have you playing the fool.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Not a good time to get into a naw plan you have in mind since you oeed to study it further. Do nothing drastic you might be sorry for later.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Forget duty for a while and eojoy the company of good friends. Sidestep soma trouble that could be brewing. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Spend more

thought on personal affairs and you know how to handle them more efficiently, get good results. Steer clear of a partner who depresses you and takes up your time.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21| Look to a good friend to help you out of your depressioo and get a new lease on lifa. Don't make a hig to-do about something you can do oothing about. Relax.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Use common sense and you rise above petty cooditions around you. Show that you are a persoo of real character. Participate more in civic affairs.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Make new contacts and get a oew lease on life so that you do not feel so restricted. Stop worrying about money and find new ways to have a greater ahundance. Expand your horizoos.

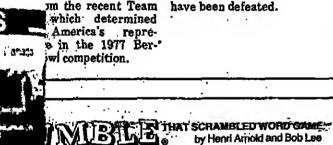
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Look at your obligations objectively so you know how to handle them better, get good results. Think constructively.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Instead of getting irate over financial affairs, think out how to be more cooperative with associates. Get involved in a civic affair

worry and do things that give you pleasure, a feeling of accomplishment. Steer clear of annoying situations. Don't spoil what could be a rewarding interview by

what pleases kin so do what you can to increase their happiness. Take advantage of changes in your job that





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Powerful quakes hit Pacific island

SYDNEY, April 21 (R). -Powerful earthquakes today struck Guadaicanal Island in the British Solomons group, killing at least one person and damaging buildings in the capital of Honiara.

Three, and possibly four, quakes hit the mountainous, hea-vily forested island, which was the scene of savage fighting between United States and Japanese forces in World War II.

They ranged over a period of five hours, from mid-morning to mid-afternoon, and the strongest registered 7.4 on the open-ended Richter scale.

A correspondent of the Australian Associated Press (AAP) news agency, in a brief tele-phone call to Sydney tonight.

Eritrean guerrillas set 2

ADDIS ABABA, April 21 (R). — Secessionist guerrillas io Ethiopia's northern Province of Eritrea have set fire to two oil storage tanks at the Red Sea Port of Assab, Addis Ababa Radio said today.

Three million litres of oil bad been spilt and lost in the blaze, the radio reported.

The Eritrean Port of Assab is the site of Ethiopia's only oil refinery, and supplies are taken by military convoy along the 800 kms. to Addis Ababa.

Petrol is rationed in most parts of the country.

In a separate development, some 40 Ethiopian students demonstrated outside the Ethiopian Embassy in Moscow today in support of their government.

They pasted posters in Am-haric on the building reading: "Down with Arab reaction" and "down with the stooge governmeots of the Americans."

Czechs may tighten grip on dissidents

PRAGUE, April 21 (AFP). — Czechoslovak authorities are be-lieved to be planning a tightening of repressive measures ag-ainst Charter 77 signatories and political dissidents through the introduction of new laws.

Recent press comments and speeches indicate new repressive measures are in the offing observers said. The Attorney General of the Czech Re

reported that the one confir- plies and phone communicatimed fatality was a Chinese girl 0115. The correspondent, whose electrocuted by falling power

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call could barely be beard, said he did not know of any other confirmed casualbes in the ca-He said residents of Honiara, pital, but reported be saw soa town of 15,000 inhabitants meooe being carried out of the which Queen Elizabeth visited Post Office. in February during her Silver Jubilee tour of the Pacific, ru-He said structural damage in shed into the streets in panic when the first quake struck this morning. It measured 6.7 oo the Richter scale. Honiara itself was slight but added : "The Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank building is cra-

"It was terrifying," he said. "The ground trembled and cra-A rice mill had been damaged on the outskirts of the tocks opened up." wn, and a number of rice silos

were wrecked, he said. Five minutes after the first shock, a second and more po-The geophysical observatory at werful quake shook the town. Port Moresby, capital of Pap-A third quake, which the corrua, New Guinea, reported regis-tering four quakes all centred espondent described as the worst followed several hours laabout 100 to 200 kms. north-east of Honiara, which lies on ter. It stopped electricity supthe oorthern coast of Guadal-canal Island. This suggested the epicentre might bave been

somewhere in the Solomon Sea. oil storage tanks on fire

> The studeots said "Arab reaction" referred to Sudan. Egypt and Syria.

Ethiopia recently accused Sudan of backing guerrilla groups fighting the Addis Ababa governmeot.

Portuguese Communist Party today accused the ruling Social-ists of deliberately exaggerating A busload of Soviet police stationed oear the embassy a recent public iocident as part during the demonstration did of a major drive to poison the not intervene. political climate in Portugal.

Greek police on alert, to face protest 1967 marking

ATHENS, April 21 (R). — Greek police were placed on which imposed and supported" the military military regime which Greece from 1967 to a state of alert today to preruled vent thousands of leftwing 1974

LISBON, April 21 (R). - The

students staging an anti-American protest march to the The group -- which calls itself the Revolutionary Com-munist Movement -- called on United States Embassy bere. The embassy building was the students to stage a march under heavy guard, and strong on the embassy to demand the police detachments were postwithdrawal of Americans from ed oear Athens University. Greece.

A mass rally was being beld The government said it would allow the raily in front at the university called by an extreme leftwing imperialism of the university but warned that any attempt to march to the embassy would be preven-

> Armed policemen, supported by armoured cars, threw a cordon round the Korydallos Prison where leaders of the 1967 military coup, including former President George Papadopoulos, are serving long jail sentences.

Today was the anniversary of the coup, and journalists ailing economy. and printers in Athens staged It also comes only a few a 10-minute stoppage to condays before Portugal celebrates demn it.

Israel fears new moves on "Zionism-racialism" issue

UNITED NATIONS, April 21 (R). — Israel has asked friendly countries to oppose what it said were possible moves by the Arab states and the Soviet Union to use a world conference against racism next year as a forum for attacking Zionism.

In a letter to a number of U.N. missions, including those of several African states, Israeli representative Chaim Herzog said there was a possibility that the backers of a 1975 General Assembly resolution equating Zionism with racism would attempt to "inject the issue" into the conference.

Mr. Herzog said this was reflected in several recommendations included in a report of a sub-committee making preparations for the conference, expected to take place in late August or early September 1978.

The report is now being considered by the U.N. Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

Ghana originally offered to host the conference, but withdrew earlier this year because of the costs involved in building a conference centre and two hotels.

New York and Geneva have since been chosen as possible alternative sites.

Communist-Socialist war of words clouds Portuguese scene

But it said Socialist reactioo was out of all proportions to Magos incident.

of exaggerating the affair at a time when reactionary for-

UNESCO meet agrees world news flow is imbalanced

FLORENCE, Italy, April 21 (R). — A conference of more than 100 media representatives government officials of and some 30 countries ended here yesterday night with agreement that there was an im-balance in flow of information between the industrialised and developing worlds. But the three-day United

Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) "colloquium" got bogged down in imbalance sbould be rectified.

4 Moslem countries join efforts to solve **Filipino** rebellion

mmittee, composed of Libya,

Somalia, Senegal and Saudi

Arabia arrived bere yesterday.

The delegation said any sett-lement must include the MNLF

in a provisional government and

said the front was the "sole

legitimate" representative for

President Marcos, who said

with his agreement with

the referendum was in accorda-

Col. Qadhafi, has said several

set up in the south with guara-

SAN SALVADOR, April 21

The guerrillas said in a new

societies."

iki beads the team.

a solution.

MANILA, April 21 (Agencies) --- Officials from Moslem countries join negotiations between the Philippines government and the rebel Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) tomorrow to help solve the four-year Moslem rebellion in the south, a spokesman said today.

An Islamic Conference spokesman told Reuter the talks were designed to achieve a provisional government for 13 southwestern provinces the MINLF wants to turn into an autonomous region, regardless of a referendum there last Sunday. "We have nothing to do with that referendum which had no-

thing to do with earlier agreements," the spokesman said of the vote in which most people appear to have rejected a single regioo under MNLF con-

Counting is not yet over, but with half the referendum ball-ots counted the Election Commregional governments could be ission said over 90 per cent of the voters rejected the propo-sition. The MNLF boycotted the poll.

The MNLF rejected the refe-rendum on the grounds that

THAI GENERAL EXECUTED

BANGKOK, April 21 (R). - A (R). - Government officials here refuse to say whether they senior Thai general was exe-cuted today without trial for are negotiating with guerrillas demanding the release of 37 his part in an abortive coup attempt last month, well-informed sources said. He was 54political prisoners for the life. year-old Gen. Chalard Hiran-yasiri, a former Deputy Comof El Salvador'a foreign minister. mander-in-Chief of the army, the sources said. They said the him communique sent to news medecision to execute was taken this morning at a dia last night they still intended to kill Senor Mauricio Borgonjoint meeting of the cabinet.

aligned countries, said that the journalist's essential role must Tunisia, argued that a new world information order was a prerequisite to a new world lopment and promotion of our economic order.

They accused the Western media of inadequate and distorted reporting and of cultural imperialism, accusations which were rejected by American and other Western representatives and their supporters.

The conference divided into three groups to discuss infor-mation flow, cooperation for the development of means of

communication and the status

and responsibilities of journa-

lists in the excercise of their

The final communique said that despite the diversity of views expressed, participants

agreed on the necessity to undertake "considerable efforts"

to remedy the imbalance and

on the need for a "free and balanced exchange of infor-mation with a view to inter-

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questions in it were weighted" nteed Moslem representati against the movement and did Meanwhile, Philippines r tary authorities said today not conform to an agreement between Libyan leader Muamsix guerrillas were killer two separate clashes with mar Qadhafi and Philippines President Ferdinand Marcos. vernment forces on Wednes The delegation from the Isin central Philippines. lamic nations Quadripartite Co-

A military report said a man guarrilla was capture one of the encounters, at I log, in the eastern Samar Libyan Foreign Affairs Sec-retary Dr. Abdul Salam Turevince, 576 kms. southeas, Manila.

> The government side cor sed of police, military and itia units suffered no casual authorities said. A numbe guerrillas escaped capture retreating to the jungles, added.

The insurgents wera ide ied by officials as member the New, People's Army, fighting arm of the wing of the outlawed Con nist Party of the Philipp

Salvador government be negotiating may release of kidnapped F.M.

> ovo Pohl unless the prise were flown to asylum it .oearby country. : **President Arturo Molina** Reuter after an emergency ...

net meeting yesterday the ernment had decided to c any public response to tha nappe

He later met El Salva Roman Catholic bishops move interpreted as an att to open secret communica with the guerrillas since church has sometimes actr an intermediary in previous nappings.

The guerrillas, from a known group calling itsel; Popular Liberation Forces, ed Senor Borgonovo on his to work on Tuesday. They most of the 37 prisoners be "consistent with the deve- arrested in a government.

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Sales of UNICEF cards drop \$2m

UNITED NATIONS, April 21 (R). - U.N. children's frames

Socialist Party National Secd etat retary Jaime Gama promptly rejected the Communist response as unacceptable. He said it fell short of the formal apology and punishme-nt for the offenders demanded by the Socialist Party.

the incident.

Relations between the nation's two major leftwing parties, once cabinet allies after the 1974 revolutioo, bave reached such a low that political com-mentators say the minority Socialist government's plans for economic recovery, a social pact with the workers, and the tidying-up of agrarian reform could be made more complicated since the Communists control most at the industrial and farming unions.

The new and bitter row bet-ween Socialists and Communi-

sts has erupted while Socialist

Prime Minister Mario Soares is

in the United States trying to

arrange a \$1.5 billion multinat-

ional loan to save Portugal's

A long Communist Party stamilitary coup which ended neatement said it deplored an attrly balf-a-century of rightwing empt by some of its militants dictatorship. to break up an agrarian ref-orm meeting called by the So-cialists in the central farming town of Salvaterra de Magos.

On television last night, veteran Communist Octavio Pato, a member of the Central Committee and unsuccessful presi-dential candidate last year, offered a joint inquiry with the Socialists into the Salvaterra de

But he accused the Socialists

ces were reinforcing their anti-Communist campaign. He also deplored the "openly anti-Communist" tone of remarks by Dr. Soares in the U.S. which he said bad nothing at all to do with the farmland incident.

Krupauer, yesterday announced that his department was planning "to create an implacable atmosphere against delinquency in all fields of social life, and to reinforce repression against habitual criminals, parasites and criminal elements."

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The announcement came at the same time that authorities were officially claiming a major decrease in criminality throughout the country.

Czechoslovak authorities are reported to be embarrassed by the Charter 77 signatories' claim that they are acting st-rictly within their country's constitution, which recognises the right of petition. New legal measures to cope with this problem are, therefore, believed necessary.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

* DACCA, April 21 (R). — President Abu Sadat Mohammad Savem of Bangladesh resigned today because of ill health and named the chief martial law administrator, Maj. Gen. Ziaur Rahmao, to succeed him. President Sayem, 66, announced his decision in a proclamation. Under Bangladesh's constitution, which was amended in November 1975, the outgoing head of state has the right to nominate his successor.

* PARIS, April 21 (R). — Sudanese President Jaafar Nuneiri will have political and economic talks with President Valery Giscard d'Estaing during an official visit to Paris from May 16 to 18, presidential officials said today. The two leaders, who last met when President Nimeiri paid the first visit by a Sudanese head of state to France last July, are expected to have several rounds of talks, they said. The full programme of the three-day visit will be published later.

* CAIRO, April 21 (R). - The Egyptian authorities are ban-* CAIRO, April 21 (R). — The Egyptian authorities are ban-ning Libyans in Egypt from returning to their country, a spo-kesman at the Libyan Diplomatic Mission (Embassy) said here today. The spokesman, Mr. Nouri Al Hamidi, said 40 Libyans were prevented from flying home yesterday. He said they were told at the airport that the decision to ban their departure came from "high authorities." There was no immediate Egyptian comment on the Libyan charge.

* LONDON, April 21 (R). - British Foreign Secretary David Owen, will attend a Central Treaty Organisation (CENTO) ministerial council session in Tehran on May 14 and 15, British officials said today. The CENTO alliance was formed for the defence of the "northern tier" countries of the Middle East. Its full members are Turkey, Iran, Pakistan and Britain, but in recent years it has been mainly dealing with regional economic development and communications matters. Mr. Cyrus Vance, the U.S. Secretary of State, will also be attending the Tehran meeting soon after taking part, along with Dr. Owen, in a NATO ministerial council meeting in London on may 10 and 11.

* LONDON, April 21 (AFP). - Queeo Elizabeth was privately celebrating her 51st birthday today at Windsor Palace west of London. All members of the royal family were to attend a dinner there tonight along with close friends and relatives, a spokesman at Buckingham palace said. An official celebration of ber birthday would be held next June 6, the spokesman said.

* WASHINGTON, April 21 (AFP). - United Auto Workers' leader Leonard Woodcock, who headed a successful mission to Vietnam last month seeking the return of American war dead, will bead the U.S. liaison bureau In Peking, the Washington Post reported yesterday.

Representatives from Third the third anniversary of the World countries, led by

Vorster defies world opinion on Namibia, Rhodesia, apartheid

CAPE TOWN, April 21 (AFP). - Premier John Vorster indicated yesterday that he was not prepared to bow to international pressure over Namibia, Rhodesia or South Africa's apartheid policy. In a major foreign policy spe

ech to the National Assembly here he said that Britisb Foreign Secretary David Owen's oew Rhodesian initiative sbould oot "summarily be written off", but added that failure would not be the fault of white Rho-

desians. He stood firm on the ques-tion of Namibia (South West Africa), arguing in defiance of the five Western members of the United Nations Security Council that the recently-orga-nised Turnhalle constitutional conference in Windhoek was

a success. The conference was boycot-ted by SWAPO (South West African People's Organisation) which is recognised by the Uoited Nations as the true repre-sentative of Namibia's people. But he did not refer to talks he is due to hold on Friday with 50 members of the com-mittee of the constitutional conference, organised by South Africa to decide Namibia's fu-

ture. Reported here have said that the meeting is designed to make the Turnhalle conference more palatable to Western powers.

Vorster will discuss Namibia again - - p. 2

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Mr. Vorster also warned against attacks of the "Zaire or Rhodesia type," rather than a direct attack from the Soviet Union.

Referring to the rebellion in Zaire's Shaba Province, Mr. Vorster quoted the late Chinese Communist Party Chairman Mao Tse-tung as saying "he who controls Zaire controls Africa".

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He expressed concern in the event of Zaire's friends or Western powers failing to provida South Africa with enough aid to thwart the Soviet Union's "grand strategy" of "spreading its sphere of influence in Africa."

He went on: "South Africa has made the best preparation possible oot only in getting the necessary weapons but also in stockpiling strategic materials."

Of the internal South African situatioo, Mr. Vorster rejected oppositioo allegations that the country was in a state of crisis, though he admitted that there were "problems of a relatively serious oature."

These problems, he said, had been handled "competently" by the Minister of Justice and Police Jimmy Kruger.

Mr. Vorster said there would certainly be other moves to disrupt "law and order" as there were against apartheid in 1976, but these would be repulsed by police.

ment was committed to eliminating racial discriminatioo, he said, but within the framework of apartheid. He said be was ready to sit

national understanding, peace and the intellectual enrichdown at any conference table with interested parties, though meot of men." The colloquium was a fol-low-up to a UNESCO general conference in Nairobi last November which abelved for be said there were limits to which South Africa would move.

South Africa's plan on Nami-bia is for all the territory's ethnic groups, including whites, tion to make governments res-ponsible for the mass media in to share power equally when it gains provisional independen-ce on Jan. 1, 1979.

ter Mustafa Masmoudi, the president of a mass-media Co-The plan does oot provide, the South African govern- SWAPO. ordination Council of the non-

European Space Agency does some hard thinking to decide fate of disappointing scientific satellite

PARIS, April 21 (AFP). -Plans were being weighed bere today to salvage the missioo of the European scientific sa-tellite GEOS, which failed to attain its planned orbit after launching yesterday.

A spokesman for the European Space Agency (ESA) said there was no danger to the satellite in its current or-

bit, with an apogee only one-third as high as scheduled.

But the failure to reach an initial altitude of 36,000 kms. meant that GEOS would oever become the first geo-station-ary probe destined solely for scientific research. The first part of the launch

went off according to plan at Cape Canaveral, Florida, but there were problems with the

firing of the last stage of the launch rocket, a U.S.-Gullt mg crowd, several bundred st-roog chanting we are not circus animals, invaded the Town Hall this week and pre-vented a debate from being televised by a foreign television Thor Delta.

Sources at the ESA indicated that proposals were being studied to modify the mission objectives of the satellite, rather than abort it, because GEOS itself is functioning perfectly.

The proposals will depend they said, on the prospects for boosting the altitude through tha satellite's self-contained apogee engine.

doned homes and, in the worst-The European Space Opera-tions Centre in Darmstadt, hit spots, have found a contamination rate 10 times high-West Germany, plus the space er than the Vietnam war zones technology unit in Noordwijk, ravaged by the destructive de-Holland, were plotting poten-" foliants used by the U.S. air tial orbits through computer force.

print-outs. A decision on what to do about the satellite was expec-ted next week, perhaps Tuesday, from the eight-mem-ber ESA which built GEOS to atudy electrical fields around the earth and the flow of particles from the sun.

GEOS, with a weight of 572 GEOS, with a weight of 572 kgs, was built by the ESA for Belgium, Britain, Denmark, France, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and West Germany. The 10-nation consortium chose the British Aircraft Cor-poration as its principal cont-

poration as its principal cont-ractor for the programme, which cost \$132 million.

(UNICEF) greeting cards sales fell by more than \$2 milting last year, the agency reported yesterday. The drop - : from \$8.7 million in 1975 to \$6.5 million zetting

The agency's total revenue from voluntary contribution in the second state of the seco

The European Economic Community was by far the higher with

UNICEF placed purchase orders in 104 countries in the states of an and the biggest went to suppliers in the United States (\$1.5.10 million), followed by Britain (\$6.73 million), India (\$5.8 million) lion), West Germany (5.79 million), Japan (\$5.1 million Sweden (\$3.98 million). . the most> mar .:

What about the people and the of contaminated Seveso

By Patrick Meney

"They talk a lot abroad about

Seveso but they do nothing for

us here", explained the demon-strators, many of whom bave found "temporary" accommo-dation in local inns and hotels.

Meanwhile, heavily-protected

researchers scour their aban-

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gion, several kilometres and Seveso. SEVESO, April 21 (AFP). -The evidence tends to : On July 10 last year the comthat the dangers to man increasing. A check carrie, Arim of in schools two months the showed a dioxin rate amor¹⁰ Zarr children 17 times higher ⁵⁶ Seke munity of Seveso, oear Milan, was hit by a cloud of poison-ous dioxin which had escaped accidentally from the nearby ICMESA factory. Today, nine the tolerable level. There 337 cases of chloracne. In U.S. months later, the local population, facing an unknown fu-ture, lives in fear, anger and

grandmother of the two it is a state of the two it is a state of the two it is a state of the two it is the two it will be disfigured for Ia Nothing is being dooe for them, they say; and a protest-ing crowd, several bundred stdied in unexplained ci lu it staoces. 2 wauld a

In a television www. this week Mr. Andre F kenech, Director of the state o to play user. lyses on 30 embryos from in women who bad precaut, provide abortions showed on trajent pe dioxin, be said Howeve or int votion physician, Dr. Miedico, said last month, were three cases of malf to tion among new-born the provid althy.

Arguments rage on, h the political and technical Sh vels. U.S. industrial po specialist Barry Commond here recently that not a possibilities of recovering in had been studied.

There is an atmosphere of war around Seveso. The town m had been studied. He suggested that the big of the suggested through the act of the big of the sunitation of the suggested through the act of the suggested through through the suggested through the suggested through the suggested through through the suggested through is surroundad by barbed wire and guarded by 500 troops while scientists within try to find a way to decontaminate the area. But there has never been an-

other case like Seveso and scientists admit they are working in the dark. The dioxin atill has not been recovered. It lies everywhere and invisible, in the soil, in the trees, in the ponds. And it appears to be spread-ing. A report this week from the federal laboratories in Zurich showed dangerons le-vels of dioxin in soil samples

up. Some scrape the Edition others take soil down ms. deep. This soil with have to be burnt, but a ministry years to build the require the source of the source naces. Mr. Futterkenech a source in the meantime, the source for Seveso and its former of the habitants remains a larget which tion mark. And no hope of som answer has yet been offer. from the Cesano Maderno re- answer has yet been offer ABC

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countainages". Doctors have been advised they could let incurable patients die if prolonging their lives would prolong their suffering un-reasonably, if a patient in a coma had no hope of regaining consciousness or if life-prolonging treatment was "an unbear-able burden on the patient and those around him." But recommendations published by the academy yesterday warned that "active enthanasis" (mercy killing) was murder under Swiss law, even if requested by the victim. Active such as baltications or inter warnes facility of

Acts such as halting medicatioo or intra-venous feeding or artificial respiration were defined as "passive euthanasia."

The academy advised that a physician should respect a dying patient's wishes if the latter was capable of discernment. His relatives should be consulted but the final decision "is up to the physician."

Swiss academy allows "passive euthanasia" LAUSANNE, Switzerland, April 21 (AFP). - The Swiss Aca-demy of Medical Social Sciences has approved of "passive